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1. As the result of a recent article in the Italian weekly newspaper Europeo on a reported solution of the Free Territory of Trieste problem arrived at by Marshal Tito and W. Averell Harriman, there has been a general state of alarm in the Yugoslav-administered Zone B.

- 2. Many people refuse to believe they will be cut off from Italy and be annexed by Yugoslavia. They claim that the farmlands cannot hope to prosper without the markets offered by Koper and Trieste. These people also feel that an independent territory is not feasible because it could not survive economically on its own.
- 25X1X 3。 Zone B, except for those individuals either compromised by the Yugoslav Communist Party or currently enjoying its favor, the people would like to return to Italian rule. An announcement to this effect will be made, but the time is not considered ripe for such a move. Pro-Italian officials have instructed all concerned not to make any mention of the problem for the time being.
 - 4. A sudden change in the attitude of Yugoslav officials in the Koper district has been noted. They have become more kind and lenient, apparently out of concern for repercussions from current developments.

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